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By: **Delegates Carter, Anderson, C. Davis, and Hubbard**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Elections - Baltimore City - Election Dates**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the dates of primary and general elections for municipal
4   offices in Baltimore City; and generally relating to elections in Baltimore City.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6   Article - Election Law
7   Section 8-201 and 8-301
8   Annotated Code of Maryland
9   (2003 Volume)

10   SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Article - Election Law**

13 8-201.

14   (a)   (1)   There shall be a statewide primary election in every even-numbered
15 year.

16   (2)   A primary election shall be held:

17   (i)   in the year in which the Governor is elected, on the second
18 Tuesday after the first Monday in September; and

19   (ii)   in the year in which the President of the United States is
20 elected, on the first Tuesday in March.

21   (b)   In Baltimore City, there shall be a primary election for municipal offices on
22 the second Tuesday following the first Monday in September in the year [following
23 the election of the Governor] THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS
24 ELECTED.

1 8-301.

2   (a)   (1)   There shall be a statewide general election in each even-numbered
3 year.

4   (2)   A statewide general election shall be held on the Tuesday following
5 the first Monday in November.

6   (b)   In Baltimore City, there shall be a general election for municipal offices on
7 the [Tuesday following the first Monday in November in the year following the
8 election of the Governor] SAME DAY AS THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT
9 AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

10   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 July 1, 2003.